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Prof Wm May
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I sent you last
fall a package of the notes
of Synthyr's Rensom's as you
requested, but as I have not
received any acknowledgment
to the receipt, I was in doubt
whether they reached or whether
you might not have found it
necessary to discontinue a cor-
respondence which was a
tax upon your time without
an adequate return. I moreover
feared the latter might be the
true reason of your silence
from the fact that I heard

in which I found a leafy
orbiculate, an orbiculate flower entirely
double in all its parts, and
a Fraseria having four distinct
petals. I do not know what
the orchid was. I made quite
a collection of plants last sum-
mer, in the mountains but in
moving about and from other
causes they have become lost
and destroyed.

Dr. Nevins, a clergyman of the
Episcopal Church, was here a
few days since and I showed
him some of my specimens &
he thinks that my letters and
packages to you must have
miscarried and that I am
wrong in supposing you desired
to give me a hint to cease
troubling you. By his advice
I send you specimens of two
plants found by me which
are new to me

One a violet, found only at
altitudes just as the sun was
going up the mountains, I had
a yellow flower, the lower part
diversive, the leaves beneath
were purple veined, and very pretty,
as the dark green & violet veins running
through it were glossy bright.

The other a Fraseria found only in
mountain meadows where the
ground was springy, almost marshy,
and where there was some little
frost every night at summer.

These may be of no interest to you
and I had not intended to
send them until Dr Nevins saw
them and advised sending
them

Yours Very Truly

H. Clutter

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I am anxious to learn if the Fraseria
Physiophora I sent you, grew & flowered
also in the fall. The seed of the same
proved good & germinated

H.